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NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET - AT A GLANCE

DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The market tone for frozen hens and toms steady to fully steady, hens in the tightest position. Frozen demand moderate with most interest for deferred shipments. No trading reported. Parts and meats trading slow with most interest coming from the export area.



EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Demand light to moderate with most interest for next week deliveries. Trading moderate for drums and thigh meat going to Mexico and Asia.

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **APRIL 18, 2000**

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FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/

OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/

	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER
8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	67-68	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	66-67	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	67	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	63-64	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	62-63	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	63-64	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days. 3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting. 6/ Includes product committed for pricing during the previous 24 hours but shipment in more than 14 days from date of commitment. 7/ Includes product committed during previous 24 hours at prices to be determined at later date.

NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 18 APRIL 2000.

There was limited interest in negotiations for this holiday week. Domestic trading was extremely light. The market tone on thigh meat and tom drumsticks continued steady at best. Fresh breast meat and destrapped tenders were basically steady. Activity into export channels was light and put pressure on drumsticks, thighs and mechanically separated turkey.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/		W	105.00	960
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/		R	149.00	40
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/				
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	24.00		24.00	8
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH		F	23.00	80
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		T	23.30	20
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	21.00		21.00	12
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		T	24.00	14
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		T	37.00	20
NECKS, TOM	16.00		16.00	20
NECKS, HEN		T	15.00	14
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		M	170.00	40
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/		M	179.00	120
THIGH MEAT		M	64.00	30
THIGH MEAT—FRESH		F	65.28	125
BREAST TRIM MEAT				
SCAPULA MEAT		F	80.00	40
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		W	160.00	40
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH		F	171.53	300
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		F	44.50	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		F	13.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/		M	17.50	280

EXPORT TRADING

DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	21.00-24.50		21.97	144
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		F	20.00	208
TAILS		M	20.00	108
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	13.00		13.00	104
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	60.00		60.00	104

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.): M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

2/ Breasts are bagged; rib, back, and wing meat included; and basted.

3/ Boneless and skinless without tenderloins.

4/ 15-20% fat with skin added.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED TURKEY, DELIVERED TO RETAILERS

	RANGE
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	82-90
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	82-90
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	71-72
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	69-73
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	70-74

SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED TURKEY

DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
TURKEYS Y HENS	93-105
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	93-105
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	93-105
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	93-105
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	94-105

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Trading on fresh tom breast meat and destrapped tenders was at steady levels, and the market tone was steady. Hen parts were in limited supply, tom parts were generally available. Most trading centered on export items, especially to Asia. In export channels, thigh meat and tom drums were soft, mechanically separated turkey was about steady.

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NECKS, HEN				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/	170.00-177.00		173.50	80
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/	180.00		180.00	20
THIGH MEAT		M	64.00	30
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TAILS		M	20.00	108
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BREEDER TURKEYS CERTIFIED IN CALIFORNIA W/E 04/19/00

POULTRY HEALTH BOARD	ACCUMULATED		
SEASON	HEAVY	HEAVY	ALL
JULY 1 TO JUNE 30	WHITE	WHITES	BREEDS
1999-2000	19,937	251,564	251,914
1998-1999	5,726	405,208	405,558